



Austria - Alpine Pasture Hike in the Salzkammergut Hiking Tour 2018
Individual Self-Guided
8 days/7 nights



You will be blown away by stunning views of lake Wolfgangsee, the “Tote Gebirge”, the glacier on the “Dachstein” and the High Tauern as a backdrop during this tour. While having a rest at one of the numerous alpine pastures you can enjoy regional specialties like ‘Apfelstrudel’, ‘Kaiserschmarrn and the delicious ‘Pofesen’, a dessert very typical for this particular region of the ‘Osterhorn’ mountains. The ‘Osterhorn’ group is a green alpine region east of Salzburg with a lot of lovely and rustic pastures, for cows, sheep and horses to graze. But also a true paradise for hikers! Discover endless upland pastures, isolated paths, deep trenches with noisy rivers, idyllic forest areas and numerous wooden alpine cabins. Rugged Mountain tops border lush and green meadows and the sound of the cow bells will accompany you on your way.



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Itinerary

Day 1: Individual journey to Lake Wolfgangsee

Day 2: Roundtrip to some alpine pastures above Lake Wolfgangsee 14 km +480 m - 470 m

Starting from the bank of Lake Wolfgangsee you walk uphill to the first alpine pastures, passing a wild animal reserve. On the back side of the 'Sparber' top you walk to the 'Schartenalm', which is idyllically situated between high towering rugged mountain tops. On your way back you should stop by at the small, traditional Austrian restaurant, which offers home bred venison dishes and an incredible view of St. Wolfgang.



Day 3: From Wolfgangsee to Genneralm 16 km + 580 m - 780 m

Today you discover the plateaus of the pasture regions. From the Mozart village St. Gilgen the cable car takes you up to the 'Zwölferhorn' from where you can see even the glacial regions. Via the panoramic path and the 'Illingeralm' you walk until the 'Königsbachalm'. In the woodland of 'Nöckelberg' mountain you can look forward to noisy waterfalls until you finally climb up to the 'Genneralm'. Upon arrival at 'Genneralm' you spend the night in a comfortable alpine cabin and enjoy two days in the middle of lush pastures surrounded by numerous mountain tops.

Day 4: Roundtrip to the alpine pastures on the 'Genneralm'

Enjoy the life on alpine pastures: Walk to the neighbouring pastures 'Moosangerl' or 'Gruberalm', climb up one of the viewpoints and try the famous 'Pofesen'. Rugged mountain tops, ridgeways and easy trails invite you to comfortable or more challenging tours.



Day 5: From Genneralm to Postalm 17 km + 590 m - 530 m

You walk down to an idyllic high valley with numerous small alpine cabins in the middle of steep mountain sides. Grazing herds of cows line your trail, which soon winds out of the valley along the 'Ackersbachklamm' (a ravine). Via the impressively arranged old 'Postalm' street you arrive at the natural landmark 'Zinkenbachklamm'. Via the 'Außerlienbachalm' and some isolated paths, your trail leads you to the 'Innerlienbachalm' until you reach the center of the extensive 'Postalm' territory.



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Day 6: Round trip on the Postalm

Walk along the 'Almblumenweg', make a round trip to some alpine pastures or climb up one of the many smaller or higher tops if you so wish. There are more than enough possibilities! Also visit the 'Sennerin' (dairymaid) of the 'Labenberg' cabin and look around the cheese factory. A hearty meal is of course unavoidable. The historic 'Postalm' cabin and the 'Postalm' chapel (built in honour of Empress Sissi) are just a few of the many beautiful places to visit.



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Day 7: Stoderzinken – Ramsau 12 km + 150 m – 930 m

Today you cross the high plateau of the Styrian Dachstein plateau. Through mountain pine and larch forests, past little mountain lakes you hike over solitary and vast karst and gravel areas upwards and down, heading for the majestic Dachstein. This high altitude trekking tour through untouched nature towards the mountaineer-station Guttenberghaus is the perfect final route of your week of trekking around the Dachstein!

Day 8: Individual departure or extra days





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Route



Technical Characteristics:

Route Profile: Walking ▲▲. Mostly you walk on pasture paths, forest roads and on well-maintained footpaths. We recommend a good basic fitness level for walks of up to 5 hours. Often you can choose between easier or more demanding routes.

Total Distance: 59 km

Travel Dates: Departures Friday, Sunday and Monday from June 1 to September 22, 2018

Season 1: June 1 - June 14 and September 14 - September 22

Season 2: June 15 – June 28 and August 31 - September 13

Season 3: June 29 - August 30



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Prices per person:

Season 1 Double Occupancy B&B	€425.00
Season 2 Double Occupancy B&B	€485.00
Season 3 Double Occupancy B&B	€525.00
Single Room Surcharge*	€55.00
Supplement Half Board (3x Wolfgangsee)	€130.00

* Only possible at lake Wolfgangsee, not in the alpine cabins

Extra Nights (per person)

Wolfgangsee 3*

Season 1 Double Occupancy B&B	€52.00
Season 2 Double Occupancy B&B	€60.00
Season 3 Double Occupancy B&B	€60.00
Single Room Surcharge	€15.00

Accommodation:

Category: 3x pretty 3*** hotels and inns, 4x comfortable alpine cabins

Included:

- 7 overnight stays in selected category
- Luggage transfer
- Welcome meeting
- Bus ride Abersee – Strobl
- Bus to St. Gilgen
- Cable car 'Zwölferhorn'
- Salzkammergut Erlebnis-Card (discounts for cable cars, shipping at Lake Wolfgangsee, cable cars.)
- Carefully elaborated route description
- Detailed travel and tour documents
- Service hotline

Not Included:

- Any visitor's taxes

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